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Steve

To answer the questions about the response sequence:

At the time of the incident 1 EPA, 3 ERRS and 1START were at the portal area and 2 additional ERRS were below in the Red and Bonita area along with the MES crew. EPA, START and 2 ERRS were unable to leave the GK area. 1 ERRS (Mike Tallman quickly exited on the Front End Loader to get on the other side of the flow to assist in a rescue should we require. I contacted Rob Burch below and instructed him to block the public from entering the North Fork drainage. I then contacted the Red and Bonita portal attendant (Mike Miles) and instructed him to evacuate the MES crew from underground and make radio or physical contact with the DRMS personnel at the Mogul just above the Red and Bonita, while also controlling public access from the N. This included warning the construction crew working on Mace Pemberton's property. Hays and I felt that DRMS was best equipped to make emergency notifications. I made radio contact with DRMS (Allen) and they determined, based on where they were, that they would best do notifications by continuing down the mountain instead of using the satellite phone. After Mike Tallman made it down to the North Fork crossing, Rob went to Gladstone were he made contact with Louie of San Juan County.

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